

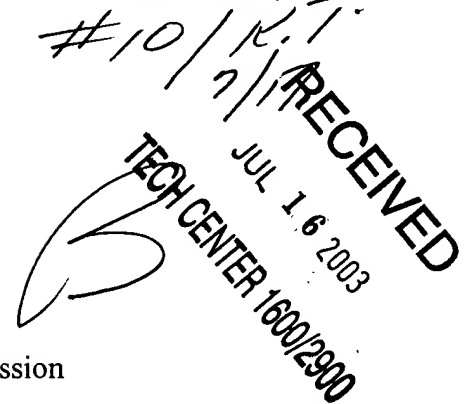
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**AMENDMENT/RESPONSE (37 C.F.R. § 1.111) /**

SIR:

Responsive to the Office Action dated April 8, 2003, received in the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the accompanying remarks. As the response is being filed within three months of the date of mailing of the Office Action, this Amendment/Response therefore is timely filed. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the claims in the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks for the purpose of putting the application in condition for allowance.

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